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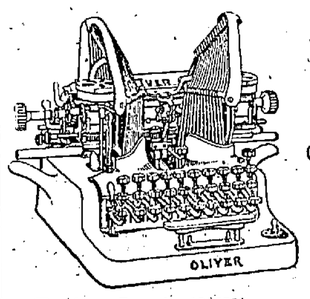
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CHINA'S NEXT EMPEROR.

Serious Difficulties Feared.

Speaking in reference to the position in China Mr Takenoshi, a member of the Japanese Diet, said recently that the great question now beginning to agitate China is the nomination of a successor to the Throne. Each of the princely families is putting forward a candidate of its own and this competition is almost sure to lead to serious trouble. On the other hand in proportion as the new learning permeates the people, they are awakening to a sense of the rights of the individual and are gradually developing strong discontent with the present social and administrative systems. There are no less than 800 secret societies throughout the Chinese Empire, and these, if only opportunity offer, will at once raise their hands against the ruling dynasty. Such an opportunity will certainly offer in five or six years when constitutional government and the other changes mentioned above begin to be realities, and therefore Mr Takenokoshi predicts that there will be great and widespread disturbance throughout the Chinese Empire at no very distant date. Next to China herself the country which will be most seriously affected by these events must be Japan, and Mr Takenokoshi is filled with uneasiness when he sees his countrymen engrossed in wrangles about the arithmetic of a budget while the materials of a devastating conflagration are accumulating on the other side of the street.

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Non-Members will be charged an entrance fee of 50 cents for each class entered.

Gardens entered for 'Best kept Gardens' will be judged between 20th and 24th February.

All Pot-plants must be staged between 9 A.M. and 6 P.M. on the 25th February, Vegetables and Cut Flowers by 10 A.M. on the 26th February.

L. GIBBS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, February 8, 1908. 219

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Hongkong, February 4, 1908. 185

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company, Queen's Buildings, New Praya, on MONDAY, the 24th February, 1908, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 24th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
THOS. I. ROSE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, January 30, 1908. 169

HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of the Members of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on MONDAY, the 24th FEBRUARY, 1908, at 4 P.M., in the CITY HALL, for the following purposes, viz:—

1. To receive the Report and Accounts of the Committee for the year ended 31st December, 1907.
2. To elect a New Committee.
3. To consider the following Resolution:—'That in consequence of the importance of the trade existing between this port and Bombay it is resolved under Rule XXIII to increase the number of the Committee from 9 to 10 so as to include a Merchant interested in the Bombay trade.'
4. To transact any General Business.

By Order,
E. A. M. WILLIAMS,
Secretary.
Hongkong, February 13, 1908. 242

THE KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the NINETEENTH ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on TUESDAY, the 25th February, 1908, at 11.45 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, the 18th February, to TUESDAY, the 25th February (both days inclusive), during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO., LD.
Agents for the KOWLOON LAND & BUILDING COMPANY, LTD.
Hongkong, February 14, 1908. 245

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE CO., LIMITED.

THE THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, No. 3, Queen's Road Central, Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, 1908, at 12 o'clock NOON, for the purpose of Receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ending 31st December, 1907.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 20th instant to the 5th March, both days inclusive.

By Order,
GEO. L. TOMLIN,
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The "Kokumin Shimbun" has a remarkable article on Chinese Railways, remarkable chiefly on account of the suggestion it advances: A curious fact about the Chinese nation is that the people themselves do not seem to have yet awaked to a full perception of the value of railways: they have left it to foreign countries to do all their railway work for them. Thus out of a total of 3,740 miles of iron roads—a veritable bagatelle in an Empire which covers 4000 square miles—only 61 miles can be fairly said to have been built and to be owned by the Chinese themselves. Russia is responsible for 1,831 miles; England for 725; Germany for 343, and France for 50. To these must be added 730 miles in Japanese hands, but the Japanese tenure is exceptional, being in fact a result of conquest. All these lines having been laid without any expense to herself, China has not learned to appreciate the immense difficulties of railway construction, and its economic influence as fixing large sums of floating capital. On the other hand, the foreign Powers are all competing with one another for railway concessions, and China on her side is struggling to recover possession of the lines now under foreign control within her territory. Our contemporary therefore suggests that the Powers should all combine with reference to this question of railway construction in China, and that China herself should join the combination. Doubtless such an arrangement presents great advantages, but we can scarcely conceive anything which appears less feasible at present remarks the "Japan Mail."

A REMARKABLE ESCAPE.

An extraordinary carriage accident, resulting in a most providential escape for several ladies took place at Yokohama on January 29. A picnic had been held at Mr James Walter's country place at Koshiba, and among the party returning was a carriage containing Mrs W. P. G. Field, Master Francis Field, Miss Blundell, Miss Alice Blundell and Miss Muriel Cain. Whilst proceeding towards Sugita from Tomioka the horses shied at a priest, whose white garments gleamed through the dusk. The left wheel of the vehicle went over the edge of the road and the impetus threw the occupants of the carriage a considerable distance into a paddy field, where the mud was fully two feet deep. The carriage turned a complete somersault and landed on its right side with the inside of the vehicle facing the road. Unfortunately it fell on the ladies, and pinned them down. All the party suffered from bruises and shock, but no serious injuries are reported. Mrs Field suffered a slight concussion.—"The Japan Gazette."

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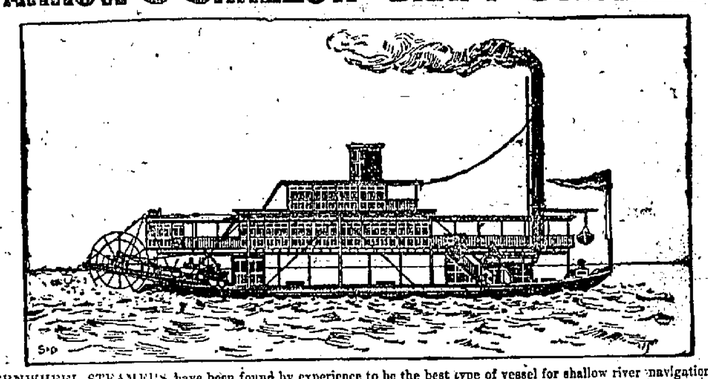
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DEATH.

At Paris, on the 14th instant, Mr A. A. H. BOTELHO (of Messrs Barretto and Co.) and Consul for Republic of Nicaragua in Hongkong. (By telegraph).

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, February 18:—
Register of Shares of The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld., close from this date to 26th Feb., inclusive.

WEDNESDAY, February 19:—
4 p.m.—Auction of Race Ponies opposite the City Hall.
Goods per *Goeben* undelivered after this date subject to rent.
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THURSDAY, February 20:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Tonkin Inlaid Ware, and Embroideries, &c., at Mr Gen. P. Lammert's Sales Rooms.
9 p.m.—Performance by Hongkong Amateur Dramatic Club in City Hall.
Transfer Books of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ld., close from this date to 5th March, inclusive.

MONDAY, February 24:—
Noon—Meeting of Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld., at Co.'s Offices.
2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's Justices of Peace at the Magistracy.
4 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce at City Hall.

TUESDAY, February 25:—
11.45 a.m.—Meeting of The Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ld., at Co.'s Office.

THURSDAY, March 5:—
Noon—Meeting of The China Fire Insurance Co., Ld., at Co.'s Offices.

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HONGKONG, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1908.

THE SPECULATIVE SPIRIT.

THE letter we published on Thursday from a correspondent in relation to lotteries raises a question that has never been satisfactorily answered. Where is the line of demarcation which divides gambling as a harmless amusement from gambling as a most reprehensible breach of the law, to be drawn? Our correspondent distinctly announced that he was not writing to us because he objected to the cash sweeps being held at the racecourse, and most readers will agree with him that the public weal is not thereby really interfered with. But the point he makes, and it is a difficult one to explain away, is the apparent inconsistency of the Government. Morally there is no difference between a lottery drawn at Macao and one drawn at Happy Valley. However, we are not the keepers of the conscience of the Hongkong Government. The fact seems to be that the Government very wisely recognises that the speculative spirit is inherent and that it must have a vent. The source of puzzlement to many is that while recognition is given to the existence of this speculative spirit by the authorisation of stock exchanges and in other ways, but few Governments utilise it for the replenishment of their Treasuries. The stock argument, however, is that the chance to achieve sudden wealth without earning it is demoralising. That argument is generally accepted as conclusive but we doubt very much whether it would stand—exhaustive analysis. State lotteries exist in both Germany and France and we have yet to learn that either of those great countries has become financially demoralised in consequence. If it were endeavoured to restrict the gains of everybody to what they actually earned governments would find their hands pretty full. How would a merchant for instance be dealt with who bought a shipload of rice and who found when it arrived that prices had gone up 100 per cent, owing to a local shortage? Would it be held that he had earned the additional profit or not? In regard to speculation as to many other things in life, we find that there must needs be inconsistency. Governments take hesitating steps in what they believe to be the right direction but their faith is not sure and the progress is arrested as soon as doubts begin to deepen. After all a Government is only an agglomeration of men with very little more wisdom than that mysterious but useful person the Man in the Street. Possibly the Man in the Street, if he ever worries his head over such matters, remarks that the laws regulating speculation are hopelessly inconsistent but lets it pass as one of those things which are inevitable. He knows such inconsistencies work very little hardship to the community as a whole. Consequently we do not feel disposed to assail the Government for turning a blind eye to the proceedings in connection with cash sweeps at the racecourse which have certainly given pleasure to many and, as far as we are aware, have wrought harm to none.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY IN CANTON.

A Gambler's Crime.

On the night of the ninth of this Chinese month a shocking tragedy was perpetrated in the Tartar part of the city of Canton. A Manchu soldier, one of the Bannermen, had been gambling, and had lost all his money. He returned in despair to his wife and demanded some more silver that he might try his luck again. She declined to accede to his demand. He went back to the kitchen and found the wood-knife, and returned to his wife and deliberately executed her on the spot. He cut her head off with the knife.

A man near by, hearing the noise, entered the house and was fired upon by the enraged man. Then some police came upon the scene, and again there was the report of firearms and two more were wounded. Throughout there were three men wounded and the man's wife killed.

The enraged Bannerman seeing what he had done then rushed out towards the nearest well and flung himself in. But others were too quick for him, and he was pulled out before he could drown himself. He is now held in custody, and will have to stand his trial. Meanwhile the wounded men have been taken to the Canton Missionary Society's Hospital at Kukfau, where their wounds have been attended to and where they will be well looked after.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The meeting of the Legislative Council arranged for next Thursday has been postponed.

His Majesty the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to the Ordinance relating to the Publication of Seditious Matter.

Mr J. H. Green, of the World's Evangelization Society, will give an address on his work, at the Sailors and Soldiers' Institute, Praya East at 8 o'clock on Sunday (to-morrow). Soldiers and Sailors cordially invited.

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Church Missionary Association will be held in St. Paul's College on Friday, February 21st, at 5.15 p.m. The Bishop of Victoria will preside and an address will be given by the Venerable Archdeacon Moule, of Mid-China.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr J. H. Greene, Secretary of the World-Evangelization League, will address the meeting of the Hongkong Christian Union, in the Y.M.C.A. rooms, Alexandra Buildings, on Monday, at 5.30 p.m.

Lieut-Colonel Scott-Moncrieff left the Colony to-day for Home. He has been in command of the 3rd Middlesex Regiment since its arrival here, and has made a host of friends whilst in the Colony, his sterling qualities endearing him to many.

The marriage is announced at Glasgow of Mr C. H. Gale, A.M.I.C.E., of the Public Works Department, Hongkong, and Miss Daisy A. M. Clark, M.B., B.S.C., daughter of the late Dr John Clark, City Analyst, and Mrs Clark, of Bockbank, Patrick Hill, Glasgow. Miss Clark was in Hongkong some time ago, we understand.

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INTRIGUE.

CHINESE POLITICS IN 1907.

It is well known that Ch'u Hung Chi wriggled his way into power at Peking by crafty stratagem, and held sway as a Grand Councillor of the realm for many years. His stratagem, however, became increasingly crafty with the advent of the year 1907, and his ultimate down-fall may be assigned a result thereof. The outward earnestness in his friendliness with Prince Ching, and the maintenance of a relation on the best terms with other members of the Imperial family, were, it cannot be denied, actions towards the achievement of an object he has long had in view. That object was no other than the attainment of supreme power in the Capital. His policy, it is presumed, was first of all to crush Tit Liang, the Minister of War, and Yuan Shih Kai, the Viceroy of Chili, and finally Prince Ching. The outcry in the case of the singing girl Yang Chu Hi, which created such a great sensation throughout the empire, clearly indicates that it was a carefully planned scheme aimed directly at the down-fall of Prince Ching, whose influence proved, however, too strong to succumb to such a scheme, and Chu's Government was broken up.

Thus for the greater portion of the year, while the outside world was induced to believe that every preparation was being made for the establishment of a constitutional government, the ministers within the Capital were in reality all the time fighting for personal power, and Imperial edicts relating to the future constitution were entirely ignored.

Shortly after dissolution of Chu's government, Prince Chun and Lu Chuan Lin were called to the Grand Council, but it was considered the two new members of the Council had not the quality and ability desirable in statesmen, and the Court duly decided or was influenced to decide to summon Chang Chi Tung, then Viceroy of the Liang Kiang Provinces, and Yuan Shih Kai, then Viceroy of Chili Province, to form a new Council.

An Imperial edict was issued on August 11, and in response to the edict, Yuan entered Peking on August 30. On September 4, another edict was issued appointing Chang Chi Tung and Yuan Shih Kai Ministers of the Grand Council. In addition to these appointments, Yuan was further commanded to preside at the Waiwupu (Chinese Foreign Office). Chang Chi Tung did not arrive at the Capital until September 9, and from September to December, the Chinese Government may be said to have been the Chang-Yuan Government. With the presence of these two statesmen at the head of affairs—men whose prominence had inspired so much public confidence—it was expected throughout the empire that something beneficial would be done to forward the scheme for the future constitution about which so much has been said, but time shows that absolutely nothing has been attempted, and simply because there was something of a mystery existing. Perhaps to make matters plain it is necessary to explain that on August 23, a rumour was current in the capital that the Emperor was ill. On August 26, the "Peking Daily News," which is the organ of Prince Su and party, was ordered by the Board of Municipality to cease publication, owing to the insertion of a paragraph to the effect that an abdication, which has since been attempted, was imminent.

On August 30, Yuan Shih Kai arrived at Peking and an audience with the Empress Dowager was obtained. On September 15, the Emperor was present at the anniversary ceremony of Confucius. On September 18, an edict was issued stating that the Emperor was extremely ill and instructing the Viceroys and Governors to look for the most skilful medical assistance.

Now, between the rumour of the illness of the Emperor, his subsequent presence at the anniversary ceremony of Confucius, and the attempt at his abdication, there existed a mystery. If as reported, Emperor Kwonghsu was ill on August 23, becoming extremely so till September 18, he would not have been able to conduct the anniversary ceremony on September 15. A solution to this mystery has been advanced to the effect that Yuan Shih-kai had all the time been working for the abdication of the Emperor, for the only person who felt unsafe with the coming into power of the Emperor after the death of the Empress-Dowager was Yuan himself, and knowing that with the exception of Chang Chi Tung, nobody was his opponent he contrived under the ægis of the Old Lady to get Chang into the scheme. Chang, however, declared the scheme infeasible owing to the likely uprising of the people and disagreed with an abdication.

This, therefore, has brought about an unpleasant distrust between Yuan and Chang. The latter, whose influence could not in any way be compared with that of Yuan, had recourse to escaping from his political enemy in the capital; while on the other hand Yuan, seeing that he was unable to carry out his long cherished desire, felt uncomfortably uneasy, because his plan had been disclosed to a third person. It was on account of this that the two statesmen have for the past few months held different opinions as to the political affairs of the State. The creation of the new Council, and the abolition of the barriers between Manchu and Chinese entirely dwindled, and preparation for the future constitution was only a bogey question.

Yuan Shih Kai, being unable to gain Chang as a supporter of his scheme, used his influence to get rid of Chang. The result was that the Yuan-Chang Government was turned into a Yuan Government. His foreign policy was also, at about the same time, changed, accompanied by the Kiangsu Railway loan and West River patrol troubles. This was responsible for numerous telegrams from every corner of the Empire denouncing his foreign policy. But Yuan was not to be put out, and contrary to what was expected from a future self-government, he ordered the prohibition of public meetings and the freedom of the press, and intense dissatisfaction was caused throughout.

This is briefly what has passed with regard to Chinese politics during the the year 1907, which opened with every promise of preparation for a constitution for China. Readers may gather the difficulties yet ahead of such a reform in China.

THE SEIZED STEAMER.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, February 14.

Developments in connection with the seizure of the Tatsu Maru are being awaited by both foreigners and Chinese with much interest, but information is meagre and officials from whom a great deal of detail might be obtained are reticent.

According to Chinese reports the Captain of the steamer and the Chinese Compradore were on arrival of the vessel at Canton conducted by Commander Wu to the Japanese Consulate, where they are staying at present awaiting official enquiries. It has also been stated that the evidence of the two have been taken and that that of the Captain was to the effect that the Tatsu Maru was to call at Hongkong directly, and that she did not do so was owing to the anticipation of bad weather.

BANDMANN OPERA COMPANY

The Bandman Opera Company, with which Mr Henry Dallas comes as leading comedian, opens here on March 5, when they produce the popular comic opera "The Girls of Gottenburg."

THE AMOY RAILWAY.

The First Engine.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AMOY, February 11.

Some perfectly natural excitement was caused in Amoy on Monday when the Douglas Steamer, s.s. Haiching, arrived with the first railway engine for the new railway. The steamer was delayed in Hongkong by the difficulty of getting it on board, and it took a good deal of ingenuity in transferring it in Amoy to the lighters, even though the boilers and the frame were in different sections.

It is from Germany, so that the honour of exporting the first engine for use in the Fukien Province lies with the "Fatherland," and not with Great Britain. The contractors will find considerable difficulty in landing it on the spot where the railway begins, as up to now there are no appliances suitable for lifting such great weights, or for putting the engine together when they do get it on shore. No rails are yet laid, so its arrival is somewhat "previous."

With regard to the laying out of the line, the work is going on slowly, but now that the New Year festivities are over, we may expect work to be more rapid. I hear that the contract is out for the iron bridge over the North River, which is the only really serious piece of difficult engineering to be negotiated, between Amoy and Chang Chow Fu. But if later on the line is extended to Lung Yen Chow, so as to tap the extensive coal mines in that region, it will require all the genius and ability of the engineers, whether they are foreign or Chinese, to overcome the many obstacles to be met with. Unless the line takes its course along the side of the river, which will mean a very roundabout journey, not a few tunnels will have to be bored through the high range of mountains to be met with on the way to the "Dragon City." It is a question whether the newly-invented "Monorail" system would not be a better way of carrying the line over the mountains instead of tunnelling through them. There is more than one pass of over 3000 feet to be crossed.

This is by Walter R. Lambrith in an American paper:—"In commercial integrity there are none who surpass the Chinese merchant. One of the managers of the Butterfield and Swire Steamship Company remarked to the writer that a Chinese merchant of the best class will lose rather than repudiate a contract. He added his testimony to the fact that several foreigners in Shanghai whose paper had become worthless were saved by Chinese friends who advanced $10,000 in one case and took no receipt rather than see the European merchant with whom they had traded for years go to the wall. In a dispute at New Chwang over five sacks of sugar of lower grade which got into the cargo by mistake, a Chinaman proposed a boycott, but his guild refused, with the reply: "The foreign merchant has been honest and he is our friend." At the thirtieth anniversary of the Hongkong-Shanghai Banking Corporation, which has dealt with thousands of Chinese, the remark was publicly made: "We have never lost one tael by the Chinese." It behoves the American people, who favour the policy of the "open door" to deal with such a people with an open heart and a free hand.

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NAVIGATION OF UPPER YANGTZE.

"A Chimerical Idea."

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LONDON, February 14.

A lecture has been delivered before the members of the Central Asion Society, upon the Commerce and Communications of Western China, by Lord Ronaldshay, the newly elected M.P. for Hornsey Division, Middlesbro.

Lord Ronaldshay declared that the idea of establishing steam navigation in the Upper Yangtze was chimerical.

At the present time the newly awakened spirit of Chinese nationalism was hampering the construction of railways.

The lecturer suggested the advisableness of constructing a light line of rail from Bhamo, Burma, to Talifu.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

FRANCE AND SPAIN IN MOROCCO.

LONDON, February 13.

Advices from Madrid state that France has sent a note to Spain requesting that Spain takes a more active part in Morocco, to send a force, which would do rather more than the Spaniards did at Casa Blanca. Spain has decided to content herself with organising a police force in accordance with the Algeciras Conference.

INTERNATIONAL MOTOR CAR RACE.

LONDON, February 13.

New York reports that 3 French, 1 German, 1 Italian and 1 American motor-cars have started for Paris, via Behring and Siberia.

THE NORTH SEA AGREEMENT.

LONDON, February 13.

In the German Reichstag, Herr Schoen said that the object of the Baltic and North Sea Agreement was merely to obtain the solemn promise of the States concerned, that they would not interfere in the status quo. The question of a mare clausum was never entertained.

THE CRUISE OF THE UNITED STATES FLEET.

LONDON, February 13.

The citizens of Los Angeles have cordially accepted a proposal of the Japanese residents to participate in the reception of the United States fleet.

VICKERS MAXIM CO.

LONDON, February 13.

The Vickers Maxim Co. is issuing £1,000,000 debentures to carry out their arrangements in connection with Armstrongs, to establish works in Japan for the manufacture of ordinance and other products.

KIAOUCHOU.

LONDON, February 13.

The Budget Committee of the Reichstag in reply to a complaint about the cost of the garrison at Kiaouchou, said the Government declared that a reduction was impossible, and that Kiaouchou was of great value for the dissemination of German influence in China. An abandonment would be regarded as a weakness.

A FEMALE REBEL.

It was reported that a short time ago a female rebel was captured in Yamchau and, when found guilty of holding revolutionary principles, was summarily beheaded. Her name was Wai Shap-yi.

Now it appears that among the female rebels there has arisen another woman who says that she is Wai Shap-yi, and therefore she is either personating the executed woman or is passing herself off as a reincarnation. However that may be, the officials of the place are disturbed enough to send special advices of what is going on to the Viceroy, and to ask for instructions.

The Viceroy's reply seems to make light of the matter, and seems to suggest that he thinks the whole affair a hoax. He, however, has ordered the officials to look again into the matter and when they are in possession of the facts to send him the information, that he may know what to decide. It is not the first time that women have appeared in the lists of rebels of China.

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THE RACES.

After a dull morning the weather was pleasant for the final day's racing—the Off Day—when the non-winners of the three days meeting struggled for cups presented by the more fortunate. Mr Buxey and Mr Peel, as usual, donated cups and Mr Lansdt, who had two wins, also came forward with a prize. The attendance was fairly large, especially as the afternoon wore on, for there were not many present when the first event was sent off at 2 o'clock. The results were :—

THE "LUCKY" CUP.—Value $250. Presented. For all Subscription Griffins that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. Half a mile.

Strathmohr (Mr Vida) 1
Tunnen (Mr Large)... 2
Seringapatan (Mr Dupree) 3
Time : 1 min. 0⅘ secs.

Pari-mutuel : Winner $41.40 ; Placings, 1st $13.10 ; 2nd $47.20 ; 3rd $12.10. Cash Sweep : 1st $841.5 ; 2nd $240.20 ; 3rd $120.15.

THE "JOHN PEEL" CUP.—Presented. For all Griffins that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins that have run at this Meeting and been placed second allowed 3 lb., those that have been placed third allowed 5 lb. Unplaced Subscription Griffins allowed 10 lb. Off-day Winner barred. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. From the Two Mile Post Once Round and in.

Silverlake (Mr Vida) 1
Mischief (Mr Hickman)... 2
Sidier Roy (Mr Dupree)... 3
Time : 2.20.

Pari-mutuel : Winner $16.80 ; 1st $7.50; 2nd $15.90 ; 3rd $15.20. Cash Sweeps : 1st $1735.65 ; 2nd $495.90 ; 3rd $247.95.

THE VISIT US" CUP.—Value $250. Presented. For all China Ponies that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Unplaced Ponies and bonâ fide Griffins on date of entry allowed 5 lb. Subscription Griffins of this and last seasons allowed 10 lb. Allowances not accumulative. Off day Winners barred. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. One Mile and a quarter.

Septima (Mr Vida) 1
Corrie (Mr Dupree) 2
Mainstay (Mr Large) 3
Time 2.41⅘.

Pari-mutuel : Winner : $13.20; Placings, 1st $7.90 ; 2nd $9. Cash sweeps : $1890, 2nd $540 ; 3rd $270.

THE "LANSET" CUP. Presented. For Subscription Griffins of this Season that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Jockeys who have not had more than two winning mounts in Hongkong, Shanghai, or Tientsin allowed 5 lb. Jockeys who have never had a winning mount allowed 7 lb. Off day Winners barred. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. One Mile.

Drueckeberger (Mr Reid) 1
Skirbeck (Mr Gegg) 2
Resignation (Mr Johnstone)... 3
Pari-mutuel ; Winner $21.50 ; Places 1st $7 ; 2nd $8.80 ; 3rd $6.70. Cash sweeps ; $1890 ; 2nd $540 ; 3rd $270.

THE "ROSE" CUP.—Presented. For all China Ponies that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Griffins allowed 5lb. Subscription Griffins allowed 7lb. Off-day Winners barred. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. Seven Furlongs.

Kingston (Mr Gegg) 1
Corrie (Mr Dupree) 2
Eglintoun (Mr Large) 3
Time 1 – 50⅘.

Pari-mutuel : Winner $22.30 ; Places 1st $7.60 ; Second $7 ; 3rd $9.60. Cash Sweeps 1st $1890 ; 2nd $540 ; 3rd $270.

THE "TREE" CUP.—Value $250. Presented. For all Griffins that have run at this Meeting and not won a Race. Weight for inches as per scale. Subscription Griffins of any Season, Non Winners allowed 7lb. Unplaced Ponies allowed 5lb.; allowances not accumulative. Off day Winners barred. Entrance $10 to go to Second Pony. Three quarters of a Mile.

Sidier Dhu (Mr Vida) 1
Mischief (Mr Hickman) 2
Strathnairn (Mr Gegg) 3
Time 1.34⅘.

Pari-mutuel : Winner ; $23.90 ; First $6.70; 2nd $9.20 ; 3rd $5.90. Cash Sweep; 1st $1890 ; $540 ; $270.

THE COLONIES' VIEW.

Britons Should Understand.

LONDON, Jan. 20.

At the National Liberal Club banquet on Saturday night Mr Winston Churchill, Parliamentary Under-Secretary for the Colonies, who has lately returned from a tour through East Africa, said he was astonished at the beauty and fertility and resources of the countries he had visited.

Mr Churchill said he did not dispute the right of the Transvaal and Australia to make what arrangements they thought necessary concerning the immigration of Asiatics. It was entirely within the authority deliberately conceded to them by the House of Commons. He hoped that the nation and Parliament would honestly try to grasp the point of view of the colonists, and understand their difficultics.

Mr Churchill suggested that the equatorial provinces of Africa might supply a compensating field for the colonising enterprise of British Indians.

HOW TO GUARD AGAINST CONSUMPTION.

IT should be born in mind that consumption is a germ disease. It is not caused by a cold but as a rule starts with a cold. The cold prepares the system for the reception and development of the germs of that disease which otherwise would not have found lodgement. Give every cold you take the attention it deserves and you will be much less liable to contract consumption. This is especially true when you associate with any one who has that disease. To cure a cold use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It can always be depended upon. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

UNREST IN SOUTH CHINA.

Threat to Explode the International Bank.

(From Our Correspondent.)

CANTON, February 14.

The unsettled state of affairs in South China has apparently become serious. During the past few days information has reached Canton that many districts in Kwangsi Province are in a state of disorder and that the Governor of that province has asked for re-inforcements in anticipation of a big riot. The position in the neighbouring province seems to have affected Canton to a certain extent.

Piracy and robbery in Kwangtung for the past month have been of frequent occurrence. Just before the Chinese New Year a plot was formed in Kongmun with a view to carrying out a big robbery in Kung Yik. The ploter consisted, as was afterwards found out, of some two hundred bandits who were to start for Kung Yik in four different steam-launches at different times. Fortunately information of the intended robbery was given, and merchants who had dealings with Kung Yik had the matter wired there with the result that the authorities were duly notified, and the necessary "braves" were provided to await the arrival of the launches. These were not long in coming and the "braves" succeeded in capturing one while the other four took fright and hastily steamed away. But this is only one of the many instances reported in places around Canton.

One of the most daring instances was a threat to blow up the local branch of the International Banking Corporation. The Bank the other day received a letter from two notorious robber leaders Luk Lan Ching and Wong Fu Chi, who demanded payment from that Bank of the sum of $20,000. In the event of non-payment it is threatened that the Bank will be blown up.

The letter directs that the money might be paid over to a man wearing a black coat who would be waiting for it in a certain place in Fat Shan. The bank in question handed the letter over to the American Consul, and the local authorities have been communicated with, with what result is yet unknown.

Luk Lan Ching and Wong Fu Chi are two robbers whose names appear to have been pretty frequently made known to the public, and who have on more than one occasion tried to blackmail European firms on the Shameen, though on each occasion without success. It may be remembered that at one time these blackmailers directed payment to be made to a certain house at Yaumati, Hongkong.

LONG WINDED.

The Unending Druce Case.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 13.

We are, it appears, to have more of the Druce case, for the impending death of Robert Caldwell, the American witness, who swore he buried a coffin full of lead instead of Druce, has failed to set him free in spite of daily predictions of the end. The doctor now states that though there are really a number of bad symptoms about the man and he is seventy years of age, he is suffering mainly from blue funk, and under care will soon be well enough to come up in New York for the extradition proceedings. So that when these are completed he will be shipped over here to stand his trial for perjury.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

Labour Party's Demands.

LONDON, Jan. 19.

The Labour party's conference at Hull resolved that any old-age pension scheme will be unsatisfactory unless it is non-discriminating and non-contributory, such pensions to be claimed as a right by everybody 65 years of age, or if they are physically unfit to work before reaching that age, the money for the payment of pensions to come from the higher taxation of incomes.

A section of the delegates complained that the party was weakening since the Trade Union Congress had fixed 60 years as the age entitling pensions.

Mr A. Henderson, M.P., replying, said that the present demand was a fairly bold step, and would cost £23,000,000, but once the scheme was started there was no reason why there should not be an attempt to reduce the age limit.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued by Mr Figg of the Hongkong Observatory :—

On the 15th at 12.05 p.—The barometer has fallen considerably over E. Japan owing to a depression which is moving Eastwards to the N. of Hokkaido.

Pressure has increased slightly on the N.E. coast of China. It is still highest over the Yangtze Valley.

Moderate to fresh monsoon may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow.

FORECAST DISTRICT.

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood : N. to N.E. winds, moderate; cloudy misty.

2.—Formosa Channel : N.E. moderate ; to fresh.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks : Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Haihan : Same as No. 2.

THE BANK MEETING.

The ordinary half yearly meeting of the shareholders in the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation was held at the City Hall at noon to-day. Mr G. H. Medhurst (Chairman of the Court of Directors) was in the chair and there were also present :—

Hon. Mr Henry Keswick, Messrs G. Friesland, A. Fuchs, E. Goetz, C. R. Lenzmann, A. J. Raymond, E. Shellim, H. W. Slade, H. E. Tomkins, (Directors), J. R. M. Smith (Chief Manager), T. F. Hough, E. H. Hinds, Murray Stewart, H. N. Mody, A. G. Wood, J. A. Jupp, A. Haupt, S. H. Michael, A. Findlay Smith, J. Barton, W. E. Clarke, H. Percy Smith, F. Dodwell, Hon. Mr E. A. Hewett, Capt. Douglas, Sir Paul Chater, Messrs F. Maitland, H. E. R. Hunter, J. Orange, J. F. Wright, C. H. Ross, W. Dunbar, F. Smyth, E. G. Barrett, A. J. Williams, R. Fischer, E. S. Kadoorie, A. F. Smith, W. H. Wickham, L. Berindoague, F. Dodwell, G. Morton Smith, R. R. Hynd, A. C. Hynes, D. Landale, J. W. Hornby, W. S. Jackson, J. C. Peter, C. W. May, Dr. J. W. Noble, Ho Fook, Lo Cheung Shiu, Lau Pun Shiu.

The Chief Manager read the notice convening the meeting.

The Chairman having read the report already published, said :—Gentlemen, The past half-year has witnessed a steady decline in the price of silver and sudden and severe fluctuations in the rates of exchange between China and gold-using countries : it has been, throughout, a period of anxiety to all connected with the East. Nevertheless your Directors have the good fortune to come before you with the very satisfactory report which I have just read, and I hope you will approve of the way we propose to apportion the profits, viz :—a dividend of £2 per share on old shares, a pro rata dividend, or £1. 10/- per share, on new shares, place $5 lacs to Silver Reserve Fund and carry forward a sum of about $20 lacs. It may be thought by some that considering the profits realized, a larger distribution to shareholders might have been made, but, with the experience of past years before us and bearing in mind the present dullness of trade in the East, the uneasiness still prevailing throughout the commercial world and the unsettled position of silver, your Directors consider that in still further building up the Reserves they are acting in the true interests of the Shareholders. (Applause.) Another reason for increasing our Reserves at this time is that, notwithstanding the increase of Capital, the Dividend is raised from £1. 15 to £2, which we believe will be considered more satisfactory than a bonus. (Applause.) By adding to the Bank's own resources, as now proposed, I think we may reasonably hope to maintain the half yearly £2 dividend. (Applause.) The issue of the new shares authorized at the extraordinary meeting of shareholders held on the 31st May last has been completed. The calls have been fully paid up and the capital now appears in the balance sheet as $15,000,000, thus marking a new era in the history of the Bank. Part of the premium derived from the issue has been invested in consols of a face value of £610,000 and this has permitted us to increase the Sterling Reserve Fund by £500,000 : the balance of $1,250,000 has been carried to the Silver Reserve Fund. If you pass the accounts now before you our Sterling Reserve Fund will stand at £1,500,000 and our Silver Reserve Fund at $13,500,000—a really strong position which I am sure all our supporters will be glad to see, and which cannot fail to increase the Bank's usefulness in developing the foreign trade of the East. A comparison of the present figures with those published six months ago, shows that our Note Circulation, at $157 lacs, is less by 824 lacs. Current Accounts and Fixed Deposits in Silver have both increased, while the same accounts in Gold are down about £1,000,000, the reduction being chiefly and naturally due to the high rates for money ruling in Europe towards the close of the year. Bills Payable also show a slight reduction. On the other side of the account our Cash and Bullion in hand and in transit, taken together, are $12 lacs lower. Indian Government Rupee Paper and Consols Colonial and other Securiti s show comparatively little change. Bills Receivable are less by $56 lacs but Bills Discounted Loans and Credits show the substantial increase of $118 lacs. Hitherto the custom has been to declare the dividend in sterling at the rate of 4/6 and to show an adjustment between that rate and the rate of the day. This method has long been regarded as somewhat cumbersome and the opportunity afforded by the issue of new shares has been availed of to simplify the accounts by omitting all reference to the 4/6 rate and converting the sterling amount into dollars at the rate of the day, viz :—1/9½. I am sure all shareholders will look upon the change as an improvement. (Applause). During the half year under review Eastern Exchange Banking has not been without its difficulties. The financial crisis in the United States, which let us hope is now nearing an end, necessitated a considerable curtailment of credit in, and a large demand for gold from that country and resulted in a rapid advance in the European discount rates—the Bank of England rate remaining at the abnormally high point of 7% p.a. for about 2 months. The high price of money brought in its train a great reduction in the demand for silk, the staple export of China and Japan. The result is seen in overstocked silk markets in France, Italy and America, and a very severe drop in prices. Values have steadied somewhat of late and the position of the home markets is more hopeful. Lack of seasonable rain in India caused the partial failure of crops that at one time promised to be good. Trade in that country naturally suffered and the demand for money decreased. The Indian Government consequently ceased to be a purchaser of silver and the effect of this was at once apparent in the fall already referred to in the market price of that metal. The difference between the highest and lowest quotations for silver during the half year was 8d. or about 25%. The heavy fall in exchange has naturally hampered new business in imports all along the China Coast, but in the more important lines the statistical position is greatly improved and from Shanghai it is reported that new orders have recently been placed in the producing markets for some of the standard makes of piece-goods. The China New Year settlement passed off better than was at one time anticipated and generally the outlook is in favour of greater activity in trade during the current year. Gentlemen, You are all perfectly aware how depressed trade has been in the Far East during the past six months, and therefore it is very gratifying to us to come before you with such a good report. The fact that we are able to do so is due to the good work done by our Managers, Agents and Staff (Applause) and I am sure you will approve of our action in voting them a bonus of 10% on their salaries (Applause). While all have worked well your Directors desire on this occasion to make special acknowledgement of the services of our Chief Manager, Mr Smith, (applause) who has so ably and successfully guided the affairs of the Bank through very trying times. (Applause.) I think I have now dealt with all material points of interest connected with the past half year. Before moving the adoption of the report and accounts I shall do my best to answer any questions you may desire to put to the Chair.

There being no questions the Chairman moved the adoption of the report and Accounts as presented.

Sir Paul Chater—Mr Chairman and Gentlemen :—Reaching this Colony as I did in 1864, I saw the birth of this great institution in 1865 and have watched with keen interest its growth year by year, as, from time to time, to meet the exigencies of trade and to further and promote the welfare of this Colony, its Capital has risen from its modest starting point of $2,500,000 until it now reaches the magnificent sum of $15,000,000 with a reserve of $28,500,000 or a total of $43,500,000,—a position of which we are all justly proud (applause) and one which assures to the Colony and to our trade in general a continuance of that liberal support from which we have benefited so much in the past. (Applause.) The Colony of Hongkong and the Hongkong Bank have marched side by side for the last 43 years : we are to-day the second shipping port in the world and there is no Banking Institution in a stronger position than ours. (Applause.) Our Chairman has fully reviewed the past six months and it is exceedingly satisfactory to see that, notwithstanding the dull times we have been passing through, the accounts laid before us show that our business still increases. A year ago it was decided to increase our capital by 50%—this has now been accomplished and the premium on the new issue very properly added to our Reserve Fund, thereby greatly strengthening our position. As regards the result of the half year now under review we must congratulate ourselves on the splendid result and while it is no doubt something of a disappointment to some of you that your Directorate have not thought well to make any distribution in the nature of a bonus, for my part, I acquiesce in and agree to their decision as, I am sure, having our interest at heart, you all do. (Applause) though I venture to hope that, with a continuance of prosperity such as we have experienced recently, they may see fit to return to this most agreeable custom—or better still, an increased dividend. (Applause.) Gentlemen—Good results can only be attained by constant, hard, painstaking work and faithful service such as we are receiving from our Managers, Agents, and Staff throughout, and, I am sure, you will all heartily endorse the remarks of our Chairman on this subject and more particularly those applying to our Chief Manager (applause) on whose shoulders fall the brunt of the work and to whom is due the chief credit for the splendid results now before you, and show your appreciation of the work of our Staff in your approval of the proposal to vote a bonus to them. With these remarks I have much pleasure in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts.

The motion was carried unanimously.

Mr E. G. Barrett proposed that the election of Mr G. Friesland as a Director be confirmed and that Mr G. H. Medhurst, Mr C. R. Lenzmann and Mr. H. E. Tomkins be re-elected.

Mr A. J. Williams seconded and the motion was agreed to.

On the motion of Mr J. Barton seconded by Mr E. H. Hinds, Mr W. Hutton Potts and Mr. A. G. Wood were re-elected Auditors.

The Chairman.—That is all the business, gentlemen : thank you for your attendance. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday.

Mr Orange—That is all the business, but after business comes pleasure, and it is a great pleasure to me to have to propose a vote of thanks to the Chairman of Directors, the Board of Directors, the Chief Manager, Managers and Staff of the Bank. (Applause).

Mr Medhurst—On behalf of the Directors, Chief Manager, Managers and Staff of the Bank I thank you very much.

DO NOT NEGLECT THE CHILDREN.

AT this season of the year the first unnatural looseness of a child's bowels should have immediate attention. The thing that can be given is Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhœa Remedy followed by castor oil as directed with each bottle of the remedy. For sale by all chemists and storekeepers.

"THE LIARS."

The A.D.C.'s next Production.

It is generally conceded that Mr Henry Arthur Jones achieved his greatest success when he wrote the brilliant and clever study of human nature which he has given the public under the title of "The Liars."

The "Rogues' Comedy" may possess stronger dramatic situations and superior stage construction, while the lurid realism of the "Lackey's Carnival" was the subject of much discussion at the time of its production. But the success of "The Liars" was instantaneous and lasting, as emphasized by its revival in London a few months ago, after a lapse of nearly ten years, and the qualities which make the success are not far to seek

The object of the author is to determine whether under certain circumstances the telling of a lie may be not only permissable but quite justifiable. So that from the commencement it will be seen that our interest is awakened by the problem, and the subsequent development of the play only serves to intensify our curiosity until the fall of the curtain on the last act. But the greatest quality of all, and the one which in our opinion is responsible for the display of public favour is the skilful manner in which the characters are delineated. They are real flesh and blood creations and in fact so convincing are they that one is inclined to the belief that they have been allowed to work out their own conception of the question without any assistance from the author.

Dialogue, both witty and epigramatic, is expected from Mr Henry Authur Jones as a matter of course, but the degrees of light and shade in the play exhibit a deftness of touch and a knowledge of human nature which cannot be approached by any of his earlier or later works.

Probably the critic who referred to "The Liars" as an inspiration both in treatment and title summed up the position from a popular point of view.

The argument of the play may thus be described. Lady Jessica Nepean, a fascinating and charmingly irresponsible lady, is married to Gilbert Nepean, a man much older than herself, without any sense of humour and possessing a sullen and jealous disposition. Undoubtedly fond of his wife, he yet fails to understand that a woman expects a certain amount of courtesy and attention after, as well as before, marriage, and that if these be not forthcoming there is always the danger that she will accept them from another man.

As a natural consequence when Edward Falkner, who has been introduced to the Nepeans by Sir Christopher Deering, falls hopelessly in love with Lady Jessica she receives his attentions in spite of her husband's threats. Taking advantage of Gilbert's absence on business Lady Jessica agrees to dine with Falkner at the Star and Garter Hotel, Shepperford. She does so, and it is in the third act where Lady Jessica's friends are lying to save her from the scandal which may arise from what was in reality a very harmless incident, that the stories are concocted in order to satisfy Gilbert Nepean.

In the fourth act we get the solution of the problem, but it would not be fair to our readers, who have yet to see the play, to give the details.

In conclusion we can only say that we recommend our readers to take advantage of the opportunity afforded by the Hongkong A.D.C. and secure their seats in good time.

LORD BERESFORD ILL.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 13.

It was intended to have combined manœuvres in the North Sea to be participated in by the combined Channel, Atlantic and Home fleets, but the illness of Admiral Lord Charles Beresford has caused a delay. Lord Charles is expected to be able to stand a health trip to the South of France, and will not resume his duties till well into the Spring. The control of the operations will therefore fall upon Admiral Sir Assheton Curzon-Howe.

THE PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION.

WASHINGTON, February 8.

The Washington Post declares that the financiers of the country are turning to Taft to escape from President Roosevelt. The recent message of the President on the regulation of corporations, and his strictures on corporate wealth has alarmed the financiers and they are willing to accept Taft in order to be sure that the President will not be a candidate for a third term. It is feared that Roosevelt will not permit any other than Taft to be a candidate, but would reconsider his own avowals to forego another term rather than see his protege defeated, by another.

A PAYING CONCERN.

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, January 13.

The Church Missionary Society's annual report shows that the income for the past year was £382,000 and the sums raised by missionary boxes and sales of work showed a great advance on previous years. The roll of the Society's missionaries now includes 1,385 Europeans and 8,529 native workers.

During the last twenty years the Society's work has increased four-fold while the income has not quite doubled. China and Japan are regarded as the most promising fields for extension in the next few years.

COMMERCIAL.

Weismann's Limited now appears on the market, quoted yesterday at $130.

Very little is doing in the flour market just now, a stagnation having set in.

On the Rialto to-day business was pretty well at a standstill. The races interfered somewhat, though there were inquiries for Wharves and Godowns.

Shareholders in Banks are requested to apply for dividend warrants to the Officers of the Corporation. The div. is payable after Monday next.

Owing to a clash of times with another company meeting the meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Company has been put forward to 11.45 a.m. on the 25th, instead of at 12 as advertised.

Reports from the North are hopeful. There is every indication, it is said, of an unusual briskness in the piece goods business, and if such is the case no doubt there will be a corresponding move in other directions.

The number of passengers carried and the amount of fares collected by the Canton-Hankow Railway for the first ten days of the Chinese New Year are given as follow : Passengers 27,601 ; fares $2,956.86.

The week-end saw a few changes in Stock Exchange prices. Banks were firm, with an advance of £1 in London ; Shanghai Docks moved up two points ; Indo-China's went up one and a half ; Ferries rose $1, China Sugars advanced $2, Shanghai Land Investments $1 ; Laou-Kung's 3 Taels ; China Providents 25 cents. Among the drops were Shanghai Wharves $1 ; Kowloon Lands $1 ; Raubs 25 cents, China Lights $1.

The temporary patrolling by Great Britain of the West River waterways has been productive of what is known to the Chinese as the Wuchow Chinese Steam Navigation Company. The object of the natives in forming this Company as set out in the prospectus is that because European vessels trading in the West River are exposed to piracy the British in order to protect these vessel sent the flotilla to safeguard their interests. If the Chinese have their own vessels running, there is no necessity to patronize an European Company, who without their help, will die a natural death in the West River shipping trade. This being the case, their flotilla cannot remain any longer under any plea. The prospectus is very intelligently and carefully worded, and apparently summons up an amount of patriotic spirit among the Chinese. It is reported that an enormous amount has been raised.

The principal goods passed through the Amoy Custom House from 1st January to 7th February 4 p.m. 1908, comprised : Cotton Raw, Native, pls., 493 ; Cotton Raw, Yarn, pls., 2,387 ; Shirtings, Grey pcs., 2,180; T-Cloths pcs., 1,945 ; Shirtings, White pcs., 850 ; T. Red Shirtings pcs., 278 ; Drills pcs., 30; Shirtings Dyed, Brocades pcs., 183 ; Camlets pcs., 82 ; Lasting pcs., 30 ; Spanish Stripes yds., 1,126 ; Lead, in pigs pls., 47 ; Tin in slabs pls., 400 ; Iron, Nail rod pls., 21 ; Quicksilver pls., 10 ; Iron, Old pls., 10 ; Ironwire pls., 2 ; Rice pls. 32,653 ; Opium, Patna pls. 9 ; Opium, Benares pls. 327; Opium, Persian pls. 24; Opium, Marwa pls. 1 ; Opium, Szechuan pls. 55 ; Opium, Yunnan pls. 28; Sesamum Seed pls. 1,111 ; Sapanwood pls. 64 ; Sandalwood pls. 67 ; Wheat pls. 2,793 ; Flour pls 26,073 ; Beancake pls. 3,452 ; Beans and Peas pls. 48,708 ; Biche de Mer pls. 539 ; Mats Tea pcs. 2,000 ; Oil, Kerosine American galls. 550,000 ; Sumatra Bulk galls. 80,330 ; Coal tons. 1,795 ; Tobacco Leaf pl. 289 ; Vermicelli pl. 212.

The exports were :—Sugars, Brown, pls. 834 ; Sugar Candy, pls. 1,212 ; Hemp Bags, pcs. 37,500 ; Hemp Sacking, pcs. 11,100 ; Paper I Quality, pls. 3,106 ; II quality, pls. 700 ; Tobacco, Prepared, pls. 559 ; Kittysols (umbrellas), pcs. 3,100.

To-day's Advertisements

NOTICE.

COLONIAL SECRETARY'S DEPARTMENT.

IT is hereby notified that information has been received from the MILITARY AUTHORITIES that FIELD FIRING will be carried out on MONDAY, the 17th February, from Kaulung Tsai towards Beacon Hill, from 10 A.M. to 3 P.M.

F. H. MAY,
Colonial Secretary.

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FROM this day Mr G. OLSSON CEASED ALL CONNECTIONS with our Firm.

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THE DIVIDEND declared for the Half-Year ending 31st December, 1907, at the rate of TWO POUNDS STERLING per Old Share and ONE POUND and TEN SHILLINGS per New Share is payable on and after MONDAY, the 17th February current, at the Offices of the Corporation, WHERE SHAREHOLDERS ARE REQUESTED TO APPLY FOR WARRANTS.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
J. R. M. SMITH,
Chief Manager.

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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONGKONG.

IN BANKRUPTCY.

Notice of Intended Dividends.

No. 14 of 1907.

Re The YING KAT LEE Firm, lately carrying on business on ground floor at No. 231, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, Foreign Goods Dealers.

No. 32 of 1907.

Re CHAN SIU HON of No. 31, Wing Lok Street, Victoria aforesaid, Trader.

No. 29 of 1907.

Re The YEUNG HING BANK, lately trading at No. 144, Queen's Road Central, Victoria aforesaid, as Bankers and Cigar Merchants.

A first and final dividend is intended to be declared in the above matters. Creditors who have not proved their debts by the 17th day of March, 1908, will be excluded.

Notice of Receiving Order and First General Meeting of Creditors.

No. 7 of 1908.

Re WONG HING, lately of No. 6, Canal Street, Victoria aforesaid, Engineering Fitter.

Receiving Order dated the 13th day of February, 1908.

Petition dated the 31st day of January, 1908.

SATURDAY, the 29th day of February, 1908, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon precisely, has been fixed for the First General Meeting of Creditors in the above Matter, to be held at the Supreme Court House, Victoria aforesaid, in the Small Court.

No Creditor can vote unless he previously proves his debt.

Forms of Proof and Proxy can be obtained at the Official Receiver's Office during office hours.

At the First General Meetings, the Creditors will be asked to consider whether the Debtor shall be adjudged Bankrupt or whether they, the Creditors, will entertain a proposal for a Composition or Scheme of Arrangement.

Dated this 14th day of February, 1908.

J. H. KEMP,
Official Receiver.

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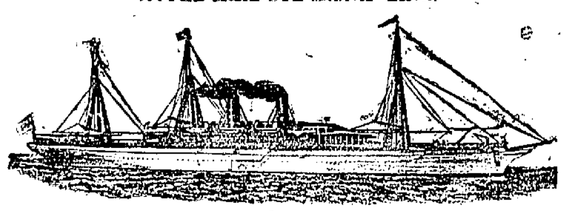
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SHANGHAI	DELHI, Capt. J.D. ANDREWS, R.N.R.	About 21st February.	Freight and Passage.
LONDON, VIA USUAL PORTS	DEVANHA, Capt. T. H. HIDE, R.N.R.	Noon. 22nd February.	*See special Advertisement*
LONDON AND ANTWERP	SOCOTRA, Capt. W. R. HICKEY	About 4th March.	Freight only.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, VIA S'PORE, P'ANG, CL'BO & PORT SAID	NUBIA, Capt. F. J. FOX	About 11th March.	Freight and Passage.

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DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES. 1908.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID	BINGO MARU, Tons 6247, Capt. A. Christiansen.	WEDNESDAY, 19th Feb., at Daylight.
	KAWACHI MARU, Tons 6227, Capt. H. Petersen,	WEDNESDAY, 4th Mar., Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C., AND SEATTLE, WASH., VIA SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TANGO MARU, Capt. A.E. Moses, Tons 7463	TUESDAY, 18th Feb., at 4 p.m.
	AKI MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6444	TUESDAY, 3rd Mar., at 4 p.m.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE, VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Mathieson, Tons 3676	FRIDAY, 21st Feb., at Noon.
	YAWATA MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 3816	FRIDAY, 20th March, at Noon.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, MADRAS AND COLOMBO	KAGESHIMA MARU, Capt. T. Arakawa, Tons 4687	SUNDAY, 16th February.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	YAWATA MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 3817	WEDNESDAY, 19th Feb., at Noon.
KOBE & YOKOHAMA	TAMBA MARU, Tons 6134, Capt. C. H. Butler,	SATURDAY, 22nd Feb., at Daylight.

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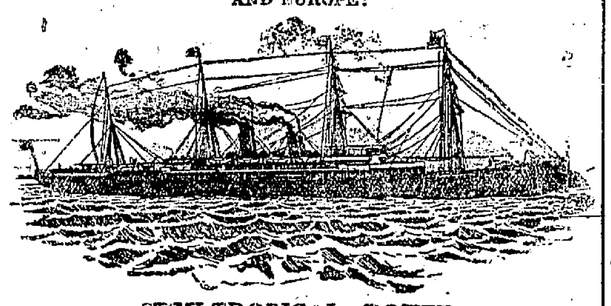
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STEAMERS.		SAILING DATES. 1908.
* NIPPON MARU	11,000 Tons	...FRIDAY, 21st Feb., at Noon.
ASIA	9,500	...SATURDAY, 29th Feb., at Noon.
* MONGOLIA	27,000	...SATURDAY, 7th Mar., at Noon.
* HONGKONG MARU	11,000	...FRIDAY, 20th Mar., at Noon.
* KOREA	18,000	...FRIDAY, 3rd April, at Noon.
* AMERICA MARU	11,000	...SATURDAY, 11th April, at Noon.
* SIBERIA	18,000	...SATURDAY, 18th April, at Noon.
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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
HAIPHONG	HUPEH	Feb. 16, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	LUCHOW †	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TAMING *	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.
YOKOHAMA & KOBE	TSINAN	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.
MANILA	TEAN *	Feb. 25, at 4 p.m.
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, PT. DARWIN, THURSDAY ISLAND, COOKTOWN, CAIRNS, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE	TAIYUAN * ‡	March 9, at 4 p.m.

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FOR	STEAMER	TO SAIL
† SHANGHAI	CHOYSANG	WEDNESDAY, Feb. 19, at Noon.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	NAMSANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 20, at 3 P.M.
* MANILA	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, Feb. 21, at 4 P.M.
* SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA	LAISANG	THURSDAY, Feb. 27, at 3 P.M.
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	PRINZ LUDWIG, Capt. v. Binzer.	About TUESDAY, 3rd March.
MANILA, NEWCHWANG, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE	PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. D. Lenz.	TUESDAY, 3rd March, at 5 p.m.
KUDAT AND SANDAKAN	BORNEO, Capt. F. Sembill.	TUESDAY, 18th February, at 9 a.m.

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MALTA	6000	April 18	HIMALAYA	7000	May 16	May 23
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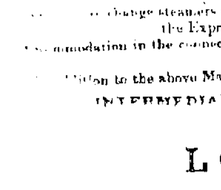
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No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods remaining undelivered after the 19th of February, will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 19th of February, at 9.30 a.m.

All claims must reach us before the 23rd of February, 1908, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the undersigned.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD,
MELCHERS & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, February 12, 1908. 236

TOYO KISEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, HONOLULU, JAPAN & SHANGHAI.

CONSIGNEES of CARGO per Steamship NIPPON MARU.

The above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature, and to take immediate delivery from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the vessel will be landed at once at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining on board after 5 p.m., FRIDAY, February 14th, 1908, will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

All Cargo undelivered by Noon, WEDNESDAY, February 19th, 1908, will be subject to rent.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's Godown on MONDAY, February 17th, 1908, at 10 a.m.

S. SILVERSTONE,
Agent.

Hongkong, February 12, 1908. 238

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Kutsang* having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 12 o'clock Noon, the 13th inst., will be landed at Consignees' risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD., *General Managers.*

Hongkong, February 12, 1908. 237

BOSTON STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP *KUMERIC.*

FROM TACOMA, VICTORIA, YOKOHAMA, KOBE, MOJI AND MANILA.

THE above Steamer having arrived Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take delivery of their Goods from alongside.

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DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
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Hongkong, February 10, 1908. 227

AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM TRIESTE, PORT SAID, SUEZ, ADEN, BOMBAY, COLOMBO, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship *Vorwaerts*, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risks, into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Ltd., whence delivery may be obtained.

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent to the Office of the Undersigned before NOON, on the 19th February, 1908, or they will not be recognised.

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Hongkong, February 13, 1908. 244

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CHURCH SERVICES.

St. John's Cathedral.

SUNDAY, SEPTUAGESIMA.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Matins (11 a.m.) (Full Choir.)

Responses, Ferial; Venite, Kempton; Psalms, of the 16th morning; Te Deum, Baker in F; Benedictus, Garrett in G; Anthem, "I will wash my hands in innocency," Hopkins

Holy Communion (12-noon).

Kyrie, Stainer in E flat; Hymns, 83 and 228.

Evensong (5.45 p.m.)

Responses, Ferial; Psalms, of the 16th evening; Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Monk; Hymns, 242, 83, and 31.

N.B.—Psalm 79, Verses 1, 5, 6, 9 in unison; Psalm 80, Verses 4, 7, 14, 19 in unison; Psalm 81, Verses 1, 9, 11 and G. P. in unison.

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4 p.m.—Sunday Schools.

6 p.m.—Worship, conducted by Rev. H. C. Meeke; Hymns 373, 207, Psalm 121, Hymns 509, 371.

Wednesday 5.15 p.m.—Devotional Service. Book at a "Glance Numbers."

Thursday 5.30 p.m.—Choir Rehearsal.

9 p.m.—Literary Club "Shakespeare's Roman Plays," Mr T. K. Dealy.

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Evening prayer and sermon:—at 6 p.m.

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St. Peter's Church, Queen's Road West.

SEPTUAGESIMA SUNDAY.

Morning Prayer 11 a.m.

Venite, Kempton; Te Deum, Oakeley; Hymns, 199, 194, 415, 419.

Holy Communion 12.15.

Evening Prayer 6.30.

Magnificat, Smith; Nunc Dimittis, Turle; Hymns, 274, 194, 416, 419.

The Church launch "Dayspring" will call on ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m. and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6), returning afterwards. All the sittings are free and unappropriated, Visitors welcome. Books &c., provided.

Wesleyan Church, Wanchai.

Divine Service:—10.15 a.m.

" 6 p.m.

Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Arsenal Street.

Men's Bible Class: 2.30 p.m.

Gospel Meeting:—8 p.m.

Peak Church.

Holy Communion:—8 a.m.

Deutsche Kirche.

Gottesdienst:—um 11 Uhr. in Bethesd Kapelle, Caine Road.

Christian Science Services.

York Buildings, Chater Road.—Sundays, 11.15 a.m.; Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

St Joseph's Church.

Mass, Sermon (English) and Benediction at 10 a.m.

Rosary Church, Kowloon.

In future there will be two Divine Services in the Rosary Church, Kowloon, on Sundays and Obligation days; First Mass at 7 a.m., Second Mass at 9 a.m. followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

February 14.

Carl Diederichsen, German steamer, 774, T. Kayser, Haiphong Feb. 11, and Hoihow 13, Rice and General.—JEBSEN & Co.

February 15.

Haiching, British steamer, 1,267, A. E. Hodgins, Foochow, via Amoy and Swatow Feb. 14, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co.

Chihli, British str., 1,151, J. Warrack, Haiphong Feb. 11, and Hoihow 13, Rice and General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Cheongshing, British steamer, 1,256, F. Wheeler, Chefoo and Weihaiwei Feb. 10, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.

Elgin, British steamer, 2,443, Potts, Portland Jan. 26, and Mororan Feb. 5, Grains.—HONGKONG MILLING & Co.

Heliotes, Dutch str., 1,070, Halscher, Balik Pappan February 6, Liquid Fuel.—ASIATICS PETROLEUM Co.

Riojun Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,975, T. Irisawa, Bombay and Singapore Feb. 9, General.—NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

Kageshima Maru, Japanese str., 3,372, T. Arakawa, Moji Feb. 9, General.—N. Y. K.

Yatshing, British str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

February 15.

Levanzo, for Singapore and Bombay.
Manchuria, for Shanghai and San Francisco.
Rubi, for Manila.
Fri, for Phamrang Bay
Signal, for Haiphong.
Taiwan, for Saigon.
Vorwarts, for Saigon.
Kumeric, for Moji and Tacoma.
Meropi, for Amoy.
Winnebago, for Moji.
Kwangse, for Amoy.
Kutsang, for Shanghai
Rajah, for Bangkok.

CLEARED

Heliotes, for Tarakan.
Yatshing, for Hongay.
Kageshima Maru, for Singapore and Bombay.
Hupeh, for Haiphong.
Daijin Maru for Swatow
Hopsang, for Saigon.
Frithjof, for Saigon.
Haimun, for Swatow.
Quinta, for Haiphong.
Nerite, for Singapore.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Haiching*, from Coast Ports, Miss S. E. M[illegible].

DEPARTED.

Per *Manchuria*, for San Francisco, &c., Messrs T. C. Vernon, J. B. Brutelle, E. Moeller, L. H. G. Upham, Mr Vernon H. Petre, Hon. W. Morgan Shuster, Mr Pedro Agnade, Mr C. W. Hodson, Mr and Hoover and 2 children, Mr Jas. Stevens, Mr C. E. Ellis, Mrs and Master Lello, Miss Loureiro, Miss G. M. Woods, Rev. and Mrs Geo. [illegible]dale and child, L.-Com. L. McNance, Miss McNance, Miss Hall, Messrs J. Bernard, N. B. Perkins, H. E. Lyons, Mr and Mrs Reno Doleuffet, Rev. and Mrs C. R. Callender Messrs T. A. Hayes, R. H. Clark, E. W. Reed, J. Johnston, Geo. Dallas, Mr and Mrs Landale, Messrs F. R. White, J. Martini, W. G. Potts, Mrs A. P. Goff, Messrs John H. Goff, A. J. de Souza and C. W. Rosenstock.

Per *Rubi*, for Manila, Miss B. Crowley, Mrs G. Smith, Lieut. C. E. Hoartt, Lieut. G. H. Greene, Mr H. M. Corp, Mr J. Artberg, Mr C. Earnest, Capt Giovannini, Messrs B. S. Rush, E. Jones and son, L. Bofger, R. G. Webster, D. J. Arias, C. A. Graves, J. M. Mackin, J. J. Rafferty, L. D. Lewis, Aug. Benjamin, J. Rothchild, L. J. Allardt, Thos. W. Hutton, L. R. Toombs, Misses J. Basa, T. Basa, R. Basa and E. C. Morgan, and Mrs B. Covelli.

VESSELS AT THE DOCKS.

At Kowloon.—Neil McCleod, Persia, Amigo, Sorsovon, Shantung, Cyklop, Kaifong, Nerite, Frithjof, Germania.

Cosmopolitan.—Nippon Maru.

Aberdeen.—Laertes.

CHARTERS.

Mr George Grimble's daily list has:

S. S. Ascot, Moji/Hongkong, 6000 tons at $1.25.

S. S. Ulv, Cochin-China/Manila (Cattle) $6,500, lump sum.

S. S. Hercules, Rangoon/Japan, 6000 tons, rate not reported.

S. S. Yatshing, Hongay/Chinkiang, 3000 tons, $2.

GENERAL.

A passenger from Ostend to Dover put his shoulder out during the voyage. A wireless message was sent from the vessel and on the boat's arrival at the Admiralty Pier a doctor met the sufferer and promptly attend to him.

The new pass into Alexandria Harbour has been by Prince Aziz Hassan, as the representative of the Khedive, on Monday. The work has been in progress since June, 1905, and has cost over £100,000. The largest vessels will now be able to enter the harbour at all weathers.

Ships or vessels, arriving in Netherlands India from Hongkong are no longer subject to quarantine, the port of Hongkong being declared to be no longer infected with plague. The prohibition of importation of some articles is also cancelled so that all goods can now be imported into Netherlands India.

In the course of the recent voyage of the Cunarder Pannonia to New York, and during a severe storm, it was found that a stoker was suffering from appendicitis, and that an immediate operation was necessary. The captain stopped the ship, and had dozens of gallons of oil poured overboard to keep the vessel steady while the ship's surgeon, Mr J. F. Orr, performed the operation successfully. When it was over the surgeon almost collapsed from the strain of working under the fear of a sudden lurch of the ship, which would have made his hand slip, with probably fatal consequences.

Merchant Vessels in Hongkong Harbour.

EXCLUSIVE OF LATE ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES REPORTED TO-DAY.

To facilitate finding the position of any vessel in the Harbour, the Anchorage is divided into eleven Sections, commencing from Green Island. Vessels near the Hongkong shore are marked *h.*, near the Kowloon shore *k.*, and those in the body of the Shipping of midway between each shore are marked *c.*, in conjunction with the figures denoting the sections.

Section.
1. From Green Island to the Gas Works.
2. From Gas Works to Jardine's Wharf.
3. From Jardine's Wharf to the Harbour's Office.
4. From Harbour Master's to the Market.
5. From The Market to Peddar's Wharf.
6. From Peddar's Wharf to the Naval Yard.
7. From Naval Yard to Blue Building.
8. From Blue Buildings to East Point.
9. From Kellet's Island to North Point.
10. Kowloon Wharves.
11. Jardine's Wharf.

Vessels' Names.	Anchorage.	Captain.	Flag and Rig.	Tons Nett.	Date of Arrival.	Consignees or Agents.	Destination.	Remarks.
Steamers.								
Amigo	...	Baltzer	Ger. str.	771	Jan. 18	Jebsen & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Borneo	k w	Sembill	Ger. str.	1314	Feb. 7	Melchers & Co.	Kudat & Sandakan	Feb. 18.
Carl Diederichsen	4 c	Kayser	Ger. str.	774	Feb. 14	Jebsen & Co.		
Cheon shing	3 c	Wheeler	British str.	1256	Feb. 15	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Chihli	3 c	Warrack	British str.	1135	Feb. 15	Butterfield & Swire		
Chipshing		Mooney	British str.	1199	Jan. 29	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	....	Cos'ton Dock
Chunsang	3 c	Sawer	British str.	1417	Feb. 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Daijin Maru	3 c	Sakurai	Japan. str.	899	Feb. 12	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	S'tow, Amoy, Tamsui	Feb. 16.
Devawongse	3 c	Bruhn	Ger. str.	1057	Feb. 11	Butterfield & Swire		
Elgin	9 c	Potts	British str.	2443	Feb. 15	Hongkong Milling & Co.		
Empress of China	5 c	Archibald	British str.	3032	Feb. 13	C. P. R. Co.	Vancouver (B.C.)	March 13.
Eutin	3 c	Langeschwagen	Ger. str.	1109	Feb. 11	Jebsen & Co.		
Fooshing	3 c	Arthur	British str.	1423	Feb. 13	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Haiching	5 h	Hodgins	British str.	1267	Feb. 14	Douglas Steamship Co.	S'tow, Amoy, F'chow	Feb. 18.
Haimun	5 h	Robson	British str.	636	Feb. 14	Douglas Steamship Co.	S'tow, Amoy, F'chow	Feb. 17.
Heliotes	2 c	Halscher	Dutch str.	1970	Feb. 15	Asiatics Petro. Co.		
Hinsang	3 c	Smith	British str.	1537	Feb. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.		
Hopsang	3 c	Hay	British str.	1359	Feb. 12	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	Saigon	Feb. 16.
Hupeh	3 c	Spink	British str.	1240	Feb. 12	Butterfield & Swire	Haiphong	Feb 16.
Jacob Diederichsen	3 c	Hansen	Ger. str.	822	Feb. 2	Jebsen & Co.		
Kaifong		Mathias	British str.	1024	Feb. 9	Butterfield & Swire	....	K'loon Dock
Koong-wai	3 c	Kohler	Ger. str.	1115	Feb. 9	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	Feb. 18.
Laertes	3 c	Jackson	British str.	1340	Feb. 6	Chinese	....	A'deen Dock
Luchow	3 c	Baddeley	British str.	1216	Feb. 13	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai	Feb. 18.
Lydia	3 c	Meyer	Ger. str.	1771	Feb. 5	Siemssen & Co.		
Mercedes	3 c	McGregor	British str.	3?00	Sept. 21	Admiralty		
Namsang	4 c	Lake	British str.	4035	Feb. 14	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	S'pore, P'ang & C'tta	Feb. 20.
Nanchang	3 c	Miller	British str.	1044	Feb. 6	Butterfield & Swire		
Nanshan	3 c	Jones	British str.	1299	Feb. 6	Bradley & Co.		
Nerite		Westers	Dutch str.	1753	Feb. 2	Meyer & Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Nippon Maru	3 c	Greene	Japan. str.	3442	Feb. 12	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	S'hai & San F'cisco	Feb. 21.
Persia		Dixon	British str.	2744	Jan. 11	O. & O. S. S. Co.	....	K'loon Dock
Pongtong	3 c	Rotefuhr	Ger. str.	998	Feb. 7	Butterfield & Swire		
Powhatan	3 c	Turner	British str.	1640	Jan. 14	Dodwell & Co., Ld.		
Quinta	3 c	Frahm	Ger. str.	987	Feb. 13	Siemssen & Co.		
Riojun Maru	3 c	Irisawa	Japan. str.	2992	Feb. 15	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Kobe	Feb. 16.
Shantung	3 c	Gosewitch	Ger. str.	1400	Feb. 11	Butterfield & Swire	Bangkok	Feb. 18.
Taishan	2 c	Laing	British str.	1122	Jan. 23	Bradley & Co.		
Taming	3 c	Sommerville	British str.	1350	Feb. 14	Butterfield & Swire	Manila	Feb. 18.
Tango Maru	c	Moses	Japan. str.	4627	Feb. 9	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	S'hai & Seattle, &c.	Feb. 18.
Tsinan	4 c	Finlayson	British str.	2259	Feb. 13	Butterfield & Swire	Kobe & Yokohama	Feb. 18
Trocas	3 c	Carrick	British str.	2542	Feb. 10	Meyer & Co.		
Vancouver	9 k	McDougall	British str.	1954	Feb. 14	Shewan, Tomes & Co.		
Wakamatsu Maru	9 c	Goda	Japan. str.	1792	Feb. 8	Mitsu Bishi Goshi Kwaisha		
Yatshing	3 c	Courtney	British str.	1424	Feb. 5	Jardine, Matheson & Co	Hongay	Feb. 16.

STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

[SUPPLIED BY REUTER].

Jan. 7, *Agamemnon, Senegambia, Yunnan.*

Jan. 10 *Atlas.*

Jan. 14, *Benlawers, Cathay.*

Jan. 21, *Monmouthshire, Patroclus, Antilochus, Satsuma*

Jan. 24, *Benmohr, Palma, Sambia, Pekling, Pathan.*

Jan. 28, *Hohenstaufen, Benavon, Myrmidon Silvid.*

January 31, *Ajax, Lowther Castle, Sikh, Andree Rickmers.*

February 4, *Borneo, Diomed, Glenturret, Peleus Persia, Bendoran.*

February 7, *Idomeneus, Polynesien, Inaba Maru, Wakasa Maru, Belgravia.*

Feb. 11, *Benarty, Memnon, Ceylon, Reiss.*

Feb. 14, *Ceylon Maru, Salazie, Stentor, Jason, Nile Slawentzitz.*

ARRIVALS AT HOME.

Feb. 13, *Nyanza.*

Feb. 14, *P. E. Friedrich, Machaon, Scandia.*

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

Mails.

The M. M. Co.'s str. *Tonkin* with the FRENCH MAIL of the 17th January, left Saigon on Friday, the 14th February, at 2 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Monday, the 17th February. This packet brings replies to letters despatched from Hongkong on the 14th December.

The O. & O. Co.'s s.s. *Asia* sailed from Yokohama on February 11th for this port via Kobe, Nagasaki and Manila, and will be due at this port on the 21st February.

The C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Monteagle* left Yokohama on Saturday, the 8th Feb., p.m., for Victoria and Vancouver.

The s.s. *Prinz Ludwig* left Genoa on the 6th February, at 8 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th March.

The Imp. German Mail s.s. *Manila* left Sydney on Tuesday, the 11th February, p.m., and may be expected here on or about the 4th March.

The silk ex C. P. R. Co.'s s.s. *Empress of India* which left Hongkong on the 16th January and Yokohama on the 23rd January, 1908, arrived in New York on Tuesday the 11th February, thus making a transit of 26 days from Hongkong and 19 days from Yokohama.

Expected.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Wingsang* left Woosung for this port on the 13th February, and may be expected here on or about the 16th February.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Choysang* left Shanghai via Swatow for this port on the 10th February, and may be expected here on or about Sunday, the 16th February.

The P. & A. s.s. *Arabia* sailed from Astoria on Wednesday, January 29th, and is due to arrive in Hongkong on Tuesday, March 3rd.

The P. & O. Co.'s str. *Manila* left Singapore for this port on the 10th Feb., at 5 p.m.

The Ben Line *Benlawers* from Middlesbrough and London, left Singapore on the 11th Feb., for this port.

The E. & A. str. *Aldenham* left Sydney on 5th Feb. for this port via Queensland Ports and Manila.

The P. & A. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Nicomedia* sailed from Astoria on the 12th Feb., and will be due to arrive at this port about March 17th.

The Boston S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Shawmut* arrived at Manila on the afternoon of 14th February.

Latest Advices.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Tamba Maru* (European Line) left Singapore for this port on the 14th February, and is expected here on the 20th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Bingo Maru* (European Line) left Shanghai for this port on the 14th February, and is expected here on the 17th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Aki Maru* (American Line) left Kobe for this port via Moji and Shanghai on the 14th Feb., and is expected here on the 23rd Feb.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kumano Maru* (Australian Line) left Nagasaki for this port on the 14th February, and is expected here on the 18th February.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Yawata Maru* (Australian Line) left Manila for this port on the 15th February, and is expected here on the 17th Feb.

The Danish s.s *Tranquebar* left Colombo on Friday, the 15th February, a.m., and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 28th February.

The steamship *Zafiro* left Manila on Friday the 14th February, and is due here on or about Monday, the 17th Feb., at daylight.

The Indo-China S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Laisang* left Singapore for this port on the 11th February, and may be expected hereon or about 17th February.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mails will close:—

For SWATOW, AMOY & TAMSUI.—Per *Daijin Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 16th Feb.

For HAIPHONG.—Per *Hupeh*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 16th Feb.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—Per *Haimun*, at 9 a.m., on Monday, the 17th Feb.

For MACAO.—Per *Sui Tai*, at 1.15 p.m., on Monday, the 17th Feb.

For TAKAO & ANPING.—Per *Skramstad*, at 4 p.m., on Monday, the 17th Feb.

For BANGKOK.—Per *Keongwai*, at 5 p.m., on Monday, the 17th Feb.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN.—Per *Borneo*, at 8 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.—Per *Haiching*, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Febuary.

For BANGKOK.—*Shantung* at 1 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For YOKOHAMA & KOBE.—Per *Tsinan*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For SHANGHAI.—Per *Luchow*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For MANILA.—Per *Taming*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, VICTORIA & SEATTLE.—Per *Tango Maru*, at 3 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & COLOMBO.—Per *Bingo Maru*, at 5 p.m., on Tuesday, the 18th Feb.

For NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.—Per *Yawata Maru*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 19th Jan.

For SHANGHAI.—Per *Choysang*, at 11 a.m., on Wednesday, the 19th Feb.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALCUTTA.—Per *Namsang*, at 2 p.m., on Thursday, the 20th Feb.

For MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE, BRISBANE, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE, HOBART, LAUNCESTON, NEW ZEALAND, ADELAIDE, PERTH & FREEMANTLE.—Per *Kumano Maru*, at 10 a.m., on Friday, the 21st Feb.

For SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU & SAN FRANCISCO.—Per *Nippon Maru*, on Friday, the 21st Feb.

Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.

Registration at 10 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.

Registration, Kowloon B.O., 10 a.m. No late fee.

Letters at 11 a.m.

(Supplementary Mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

EXCHANGE.

Hongkong, February 15, 1908.

On London—
Bank Wire ... 1/11
" On demand ... 1/11$\frac{1}{16}$
" 30 days' sight ... 1/11$\frac{1}{8}$
" 4 months' sight ... 1/11$\frac{3}{8}$
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 1/11$\frac{1}{2}$
Documentary, 4 months' sight ... 1/11$\frac{5}{8}$

On Paris—
On demand ... 242
Credits, 4 months' sight ... 248

On Berlin—
On demand ... 197

On New York—
On demand ... 46$\frac{5}{8}$
Credit, 60 days' sight ... 48

On Bombay—
Wire ... 144½
On demand ... 145

On Calcutta—
Wire ... 145½
On demand ... 145

On Singapore—
On demand ... 20½% P.

On Manila—
On demand, Pesos ... 94½

On Shanghai—
On demand ... 74$\frac{3}{4}$
30 days' sight, (private paper) ... 75½

On Yokohama—
On demand ... 94

Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael) ... $54.20
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate) ... $10.25
Silver (per oz.) ... 26$\frac{5}{16}$
Bar Silver in Hongkong ... 8 80
Copper Cents ... 114 %
Rate of Native Interest ... 3.5%
Chinese Sub. Coin ... $46 % dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin ... $41 % dis.

PEAK HOTEL.

Mr F. Austin, Con. & Mrs Brebosia, Mr A. O. F. Cobley, Mr & Mrs J Cochrane, Lt. and Mrs B. E. Coke, Mr H. E. Colleyshaw, Col. Darling, Mr and Mrs Dowley, Mrs Ellis, Mr R. Fischer, Mr Fuchs, Mr S. H. Galbraith, Mr F. J. Gelsthorpe, Mr H. H. J. Gompertz, Mr L. S. Greenhill, Miss Hall, Mr J. Hall, Mr Hancock, Miss Hardy, Mr F. A. Hazeland, Mr P. Hell, Mr E. E. Hill, Mr W. T. Hockaday, Capt and Mrs K. D. Hutchison, Mr H. U. Jeffries, Col. Kent, Col. & Mrs W. Lambert, Miss Lord, Major W. B. Lander, Mr Lofts, Major and Mrs D. F. H. Logan, Major S. Macdonald, Mr Geo. Ft. Malden, Mr R. Marten, Mr E. Mast, Mr & Mrs McCaffrey, Mr R. Mitchell, Mr S. D. Monk, Con. and Mrs Periera, Mr & Mrs T. Petrie, Lt. Col. & Mrs Riach, L. Col. Reid, Major R. J. Ross, Mr R. F. G. Sargent, Mrs Sawer, Mr G. W. Sayer, Mr & Mrs Shortridge and 2 children, Mr A. Sinclair, Mr A. Findlay Smith, Mr and Mrs Somerset Playne, Mr & Mrs Seibeth, Mr and Mrs A. H. Stewart, Mr Stopani, Capt. A. H. Synnot, Mrs Wakefield, Mr Wallace, Mr S. P. Warbrook, Mr and Mrs Watkins, Mr A. P. Wilder, Mrs Williamson, Staff Surgeon & Mrs Williams.

CARLTON HOTEL.

Mr Abina, Mr B. Ayris, Mr Barry, Mr and Mrs J. S. Benson, and child, Mr Bolden, Mr and Mrs H. B. Bridger and family, Mr H. B. Buttierre, Mr C. H. M. Cure, Mr O. Dale, Mr J. Dunn, Mr Ferry, Mr Fowler, Mr G. Gardner, Mr C. Gierlet, Mr Ginkel, Mr R. Herzog, Mr and Mrs Hewott, Mr Hnogee, Mr and Mrs Jenkins, Mr Kemp, Mr A. N. Kremer, Mrs Lafferty, Mr J. R. Leung, Mr Leung, Capt. & Mrs Merlees, Mr W. P. Morgan, Miss A. Peacock, Mr Wm. Pringle, Mr R. E. Riggs, Mr & Mrs C. Rozello, Mr Rutherford, Mr J. Shrem, Mr Smith, Mr & Mrs G. Teasdale and child.

ORIENTAL HOTEL.

Mr H. Arnold, Mr F. Arnold, Mr J. W. Bains, Mr W. B. Boyce, Mr H. A. Cartwright, Mr F. T. Chapple, Mr and Mrs A. C. Diss, Mrs Gaertner & child, Mr H. Jebsen, Dr F. Keyt, Miss A. Munro, Mr F. H. Robinson, Mr A. Uschmann.

PELHAM HOUSE.

Mr J. G. Dyer, Mr F. W. Haigh, Mr D. Harvey, Miss M. S. Hoy, Mr J. Hutchings, Mr Mundey, Mr O. N. Olson, Mr F. W. Perkunder, Mr Karl Polstarff, Mr and Mrs John Stewart, Mr R. Stewart, Mr J. W. Taylor, Mr and Mrs J. H. Taylor, Miss Taylor, Mr Hugh Thomas, Mr P. Venske.

Vessels Advertised as Loading.

Destination.	Vessels.	Agents.	[illegible] of Leaving.
Australian Ports	Eastern (s)	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	[illegible] Noon.
Boston & New York	Kennebec (s)	Standard Oil Co.	[illegible]r. 7.
CoastPorts & Shanghai	Soshu Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 20, at 9 a.m.
Fiume, Trieste, &c.	Austria (s)	Sander, Wieler & Co.	About Feb. 24.
Haiphong	Hupeh (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 16, at 10 a.m.
Japan & Portland, Or	Arabia (s)	Portland & A. S. Co.	End of Feb.
Kudat and Sandakan	Borneo (s)	Melchers & Co.	Feb. 18, at 9 a.m.
Kobe and Yokohama	Tsinan (s)	Butterfield & Swire.	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.
Kobe and Yokohama	Tamba Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 22, Daylight.
London, &c.	Devanha (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Feb. 22, at Noon.
L'don, A'erp & H'burg	Flintshire (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	About Feb. 20.
London & Antwerp	Socotra (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Mar. 4.
Mar., L'don, A'erp, &c.	Nubia (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Mar. 11.
Manila	Yuensang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Feb. 21, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Loongsang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Feb. 28, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Zafiro (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co.	February 22.
Manila	Rubi (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co	February 29.
Manila	Taming (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.
Manila	Tean (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 25, at 4 p.m.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Taiyuan (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Mar. 9, at 4 p.m.
Manila, A'lian Ports	Kumano Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 21, at Noon
Manila, A'lian Ports	Prinz Sigismund (s)	Melchers & Co.	Mar. 3, at 4 p.m.
Marseilles, v. Saigon	Oceanien (s)	Messageries Maritimes	Feb. 18, at 1 p.m.
Mar., L'don & A'erp &c.	Bingo Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 19, Daylight.
NewYork v. Suez Canal	St. Patrick (s)	Shewan, Tomes & Co	About Mrrch 16.
New York v. Suez Canal	Indrani (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Feb. 22, at 3 p.m.
N'saki, Kobe & Y'hama	Yawata Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 19, at Noon.
Naples, Genoa, G'tar, &c	Kleist (s)	Melchers & Co.	Feb. 26, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Nippon Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Feb. 21, at Noon
San F'cisco via Japan	Asia (s)	O. & O. S.S. Co.	Feb. 29, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Mongolia (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	Mar. 7, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Hongkong Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	Mar. 20, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	Korea (s)	Pacific Mail S.S. Co.	April 3, at Noon.
San Francisco v. Japan	America Maru (s)	Toyo Kisen Kaisha	April 11, at Noon.
Seattle, v. S'hai, Japan	Minnesota (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	April 17, at Noon.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Daijin Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 16, at 10 a.m.
S'tow, Amoy & Anping	Fukushu Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 19, Daylight.
S'tow, Amoy & Tamsui	Joshin Maru (s)	Osaka Shosen Kaisha	Feb. 23, at 9 a.m.
S'hai, N'ki, Kobe, Y'ma	Prinz Ludwig (s)	Melchers & Co.	About Mar. 3.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe, Y'ma	Manila (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 17
S'hai, Kobe & Y'hama	Tonkin (s)	Messageries Maritimes	About Feb. 17.
Shanghai	Choysang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Feb. 19, at noon.
Shanghai	Luchow (s)	Butterfield & Swire	Feb. 18 at 4 p.m
Shanghai	Delhi (s)	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About Feb. 21.
S'pore, P'ang, C'bo, &c.	Kageshima Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	February 16
S'pore, P'ang & Coutta	Namsang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Feb. 20 at 3 p.m.
S'pore, Penang & C'tta	Laisang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co Ld	Feb. 28, at 3 p.m.
S'hai, Moji, Kobe Y'ma	Fooksang (s)	Jardine, M'son & Co, Ld	Mar. 13, at 2 p.m.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Shawmut (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	February 21.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Tremont (s)	Dodwell & Co. Limited	March 17.
Victoria, B.C., Tacoma	Suveric (s)	Dodwell & Co., Ld.	April 9.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Empress of China (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	March 12 at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Lennox (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	Mar. 25 at Noon.
Vancouver, (B.C.), &c.	Empress of India (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co	April 9, at 4 p.m.
Vancouver, (B.C.) &c	Monteagle (s)	Canadian P'fic R. Co.	April 22, at Noon.
Victoria, B.C., Seattle	Tango Maru (s)	Nippon Yusen Kaisha	Feb. 18, at 4 p.m.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

February 15, 1908.

Stocks.	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotation Cash.
BANKS.				
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Corp.	80,000	$ 125	all	$720, sellers; $715, sellers; London, £80
do do.	40,000			" £79
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£ 7	£ 6	$51
MARINE INSURANCES.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$ 250	$ 50	$242½, sellers
China Traders Insurance Co., Ld.	24,000	$ 83.33	$ 25	$91, buyers
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£ 15	£ 5	Tls. 87, sellers
Union Insurance Society, Limited	10,000	$ 250	$ 100	$850, buyers
Yangtsze Insurance Association Ld.	8,000	$ 100	$ 60	$147½ / $135
FIRE INSURANCES.				
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$ 100	20	$98, sellers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co. Ld.	8,000	$ 250	50	$335, sales
DOCKS, ETC				
H'kong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 50	all	$98, sellers
Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited	18,000	$ 25	$ 25	$14, sellers
New Amoy Dock Co., Ltd.	10,000	$ 6¼	$ 6¼	$10, sellers
Shanghai Dock and Eng. Co., Ld.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 84, buyers
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.				
China and Manila S. S. Co., Ld.	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$15, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	$ 50	all	$40
H.K. C. and M. Steamboat Co., Ld.	80,000	$ 15	$ 15	$29½, buyers
Indo-China S. N. Company, Ltd.	60 000	£ 5	all	$40 / $23
Star Ferry Company, Ltd.	10 000 / 10,000	$ 10 / $ 10	$ 10 / $ 5	$25 / $12½, buyers
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	£ 1	£ 1	46/6
Taku Tug and Lighter Co., Ltd.	8,600	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 47½
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Co., Ld.	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 46
do. Preference.	100,000			Tls. 50
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$ 100	all	$111, buyers
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$ 100	all	$14, buyers
Perak Sugar Cultivation Co., Ld.	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 80
WHARVES.				
H.K. & Kow. Wharf & Godown Co.	40,000 / 20,000	50 / 50	all / all	$55, buyers / $53, sales
Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf Co.	32,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 213, sellers
LAND AND BUILDING.				
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$ 100	100	$101
Shanghai Land Investment Co. Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 108
Kowloon Land and Building Company	6,000	$ 50	$ 30	$32, sellers
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co.	3,674	Tls. 25	Tls. 25	Tls. 9
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	150,000	$ 10	all	$10, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	$ 50	$ 50	$48
TRAMWAYS.				
The Peak Tramways Co., Ltd.	25,000 / 50,000	$ 10 / $ 10	all / $ 1	$13 / $2
MINING.				
Société Française des Charbonnages du Tonkin	16,000	Fcs. 250	all	$500, buyers
Raub Aust. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£ 1	18/10	$7½, buyers
HOTELS, ETC.				
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ltd.	12,000	$ 50	all	$104, buyers
Astor House Hotel Co., Ltd. (S'hai)	30,000	$ 25	$ 25	$20½
DISPENSARIES.				
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,000	$ 10	$ 10	$10½, sellers
Watkins Limited	10,000	$ 10	$ 10	$2½
LIGHTING.				
H.K. and China Gas Co., Limited	7 000	£ 10	all	$175, buyers
Shanghai Gas Company, Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 113
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	$ 10	$ 10	$14½, sales
MISCELLANEOUS.				
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	400,000	$ 10	10	$11½, sellers
Hongkong Milling Co., Ltd.	10,000	$ 100	$ 100	$150, buyers
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	8,604	£ 12/6	12/6	$7½, buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	2,000 ord. / 100 Ders	$ 10 / $ 10	$ 4 / $ 10	$10, buyers / $150, buyers
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	$ 10	$ 10	$ 0, ex div., sellers
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	25,000	$ 7½	$ 6	$16½
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$ 25	all	$240
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd.	16,350	£ 20 / £ 15	£ 20 / £ 15	Tls. 360 / 355, New
H'kong Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	50,000	$ 10	all	$25, buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	125,000	$ 10	$ 10	$10, [illegible]
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	Tls 50	Tls. 66
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Limited	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 55
Laou-Kung-Mow Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Ld.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls100	Tls. 75
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co. Ld.	2,000	Tls. 500	Tls500	Tls. 270
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Limited	200,000	$ 10	$ 10	$8½, sellers
China Borneo Company, Ltd.	60,000	$ 12	$ 12	$10½, sellers
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	$ 10	all	$17, buyers
Wm. Powell, Limited	12,000 / 3,000	$ 10	$ 10	$5, buyers
South China Morning Post	6,000	$ 25	$ 25	$20
China Light and Power Company	50,000 / 50,000	$ 10 / $ 1	$ 10 / $ 1	$5, sales
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	$ 5	$ [illegible]	$6, sellers
Weissmann Limited	17,500	$ 100	$ 100	$130, buyers
CIGAR COMPANIES.				
Philippine Co., Limited	67,500	$ 10	$ 10	$6
Alhambra Limited	300	$ 500	$ 50	Nominal

LOANS.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 % p. annum	P.

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